STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

April 6, 1999

IDT CORPORATION Request to Abandon Service Docket No. 99-174 ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO ABANDON SERVICE

IDT AMERICA, CORPORATION
Petition for Finding of Public Convenience
and Necessity to Provide Service as a
Facilities Based Interexchange Telephone
Utility
Docket No. 99-207

ORDER GRANTING
AUTHORITY TO
PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE
RESALE SERVICE AND
APPROVING SCHEDULE OF
RATES AND TERMS AND
CONDITIONS

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

On March 17, 1999, under Docket No. 99-174, IDT Corporation (IDT) filed a request to abandon service. Simultaneously, in Docket No. 99-207, IDT America Corporation (IDT America) (an affiliated interest of IDT) filed a petition for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide service as a facilities-based interexchange telephone utility. As a result of these two transactions, IDT's current authority to provide facilities-based interexchange telephone service will terminate and IDT America will, in effect, take over its service.

The service, rate schedules and terms and conditions of the successor entity (IDT America) will be identical to those of the public utility that is abandoning service (IDT). Normally, if a change such as the one before us results in any possible change in rates or terms and conditions to existing customers, we would require the abandoning utility to provide notice to its customers. As this transaction will present no such change, we will not require notice.

By this order we grant authority to IDT America to provide service subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority to provide facilities-based interexchange service to IDT in Docket No. 97-210. We also approve IDT America's proposed schedule of rates, terms and conditions.

Wherefore, we

ORDER

1. That the request, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104, by IDT to abandon service is hereby granted;

- 2. That the petition, filed pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102, of IDT America for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide service as a facilities-based interexchange telephone utility of IDT America is hereby granted; IDT America shall be bound by and subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority in Docket Number 97-210 to IDT;
- 3. That the proposed rate schedules and terms and conditions, of IDT America filed on March 17, 1999, consisting of 10 pages and attached hereto, is hereby approved.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 6th day of April, 1999

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Nugent Diamond